

**Amendment to the Claims:**

Please amend the section heading at the top of page 7, as follows:

**WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:** ~~Claims~~

The claim listing which begins on next page will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

## **Claim Listing**

Claims 1-10. (Cancelled)

Claim 11. (New)      A multifunctional lever comprising:  
                         a basic lever (1) for performing an actuating function; and  
                         one or more lever element(s) (2, 3) for performing one or more actuating functions;  
said basic lever (1) and said lever element(s) (2, 3) being separate parts; and  
said basic lever (1) and said lever element(s) (2, 3) being connected together.

Claim 12. (New)      The multifunctional lever of claim 11, wherein said basic lever (1) is made of metal or plastic, or a combination of metal and plastic.

Claim 13. (New)      The multifunctional lever of claim 11, wherein one or more said lever element(s) (2, 3) are made of metal or plastic, or a combination of metal and plastic.

Claim 14. (New)      The multifunctional lever of claim 12, wherein one or more said lever element(s) (2, 3) are made of metal or plastic, or a combination of metal and plastic.

Claim 15. (New)      The multifunctional lever of claim 11 comprising two or more lever elements.

Claim 16. (New)      The multifunctional lever of claim 11 comprising three or more lever elements.

Claim 17. (New)      The multifunctional lever of claim 11, wherein said basic lever (1) and said one or more lever element(s) (2, 3) have the same axis of rotation.

Claim 18. (New)      The multifunctional lever of claim 11, wherein said one or more lever element(s) are rigidly connected to said basic lever (1).

Claim 19. (New) The multifunctional lever of claim 11, wherein said one or more lever element(s) are mechanically actuated.

Claim 20. (New) A multifunctional lever comprising:  
a basic lever (1) for performing an actuating function; and  
one or more additional lever(s) (2, 3) for performing one or more actuating functions;  
wherein said one or more additional lever(s) (2, 3) are riveted, bolted, clipped, snapped-in, welded or glued to said main lever (1).

Claim 21. (New) The multifunctional lever of claim 20, wherein said basic lever (1) is made of metal or plastic, or a combination of metal and plastic.

Claim 22. (New) The multifunctional lever of claim 20, wherein one or more said lever element(s) (2, 3) are made of metal or plastic, or a combination of metal and plastic.

Claim 23. (New) The multifunctional lever of claim 21, wherein one or more said lever element(s) (2, 3) are made of metal or plastic, or a combination of metal and plastic.

Claim 24. (New) The multifunctional lever of claim 20 comprising two or more lever elements.

Claim 25. (New) The multifunctional lever of claim 20 comprising three or more lever elements.

Claim 26. (New) The multifunctional lever of claim 20, wherein said basic lever (1) and said one or more lever element(s) (2, 3) have the same axis of rotation.

Claim 27. (New) The multifunctional lever of claim 20, wherein said one or more lever element(s) are rigidly connected to said basic lever (1).

Claim 28. (New) The multifunctional lever of claim 20, wherein said one or more lever element(s) are mechanically actuated.

Claim 29. (New) A vehicle door latch comprising:  
a catch (10);  
a pawl (4);  
a basic lever (1) for performing an actuating function; and  
one or more additional lever(s) (2, 3) for performing one or more actuating functions;  
said basic lever (1) and said additional lever(s) (2, 3) being separate parts; and  
said basic lever (1) and said additional lever(s) (2, 3) being connected together.

Claim 30. (New) The vehicle door latch of claim 29, wherein said one or more additional lever(s) (2, 3) are riveted, bolted, clipped, snapped-in, welded or glued to said main lever (1).

Claim 31. (New) The vehicle door latch of claim 29, wherein said basic lever (1) is made of metal or plastic, or a combination of metal and plastic and one or more said lever element(s) (2, 3) are made of metal or plastic, or a combination of metal and plastic.

Claim 32. (New) The vehicle door latch of claim 29, wherein one said lever element (2) is attached to a driving wheel (5), said driving wheel being motor-driven.

Claim 33. (New) The vehicle door latch of claim 32, wherein an electrical motor (6) having a worm gear (7) acts upon said driving wheel (5), said driving wheel (5) comprising further a gear rim or a gear rim section.

Claim 34. (New) The vehicle door latch of claim 33, wherein said driving wheel (5) comprises further a radial cam (8) for interacting with said lever element (2).

Claim 35. (New) The vehicle door latch of claim 29, wherein said one or more lever element(s) are mechanically actuated.

Claim 36. (New) The vehicle door latch of claim 29, wherein said one or more lever element(s) are electrically actuated.